#### **EXPEDITED APPOINTMENTS**

How to expedite an appointment for urgent student, business or cultural event travel that is not foreseeable (Please note that expedite appointments will not be approved foreseeable events such as birthdays, weddings, graduations etc.).

As with routine appointments, you must complete a DS-160 application form online, found here: https://ceac.state.gov/genniv. Completed forms will be transmitted electronically to the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy Dakar. We cannot accept prior versions of the NIV application form. Applicants must present the one-page confirmation sheet from the DS-160 form when submitting their application to the consular section.

If the regular appointment date is not early enough to accommodate the applicant's urgent and unanticipated travel plans, the applicant may request an expedited appointment. After making an appointment, please click on the Expedited Appointment Request button on the appointment page. In the Expedited Appointment form, please explain the reason you are requesting an earlier appointment. Only emergency cases, as outlined below and approved by the Consular Section, will receive an earlier appointment date. Please DO NOT e-mail any supporting documents to us. Instead, bring any additional documents to the interview appointment.

#### **EMERGENCY APPOINTMENTS**

# 1) Immediate Family Member in the U.S. is Critical III

For emergency cases as outlined (Please note that these are granted only for true emergencies involving humanitarian concerns).

You must present a letter on hospital letterhead (letter faxed to you will be sufficient) signed by the attending physician explaining the nature of the immediate family member's illness and why you must urgently travel to the United States. An immediate family member is defined as a mother, father, sister, brother, son, daughter or spouse. The applicant can submit the visa application at the U.S. Embassy consular section on Monday through Thursday from 2:00PM to 4:00PM.

### 2) Death of an Immediate Family Member in the U.S.

You must present a letter from the relevant funeral home on letterhead (letter faxed to you will be sufficient) specifying the date your immediate family member passed away and the date of the funeral or memorial service. An immediate family member is defined as a mother, father, sister, brother, son, daughter or spouse. The applicant can submit the visa application at the U.S. Embassy consular section on Monday through Thursday from 2:00PM to 4:00PM.

# 3) Urgent Medical Treatment in U.S.

You must present an original letter from a treating physician in Senegal explaining the nature of your illness and why urgent treatment in the U.S. is required. See information about visas for medical treatment for more information about demonstrating your eligibility for a visa. The applicant can submit the visa application at the U.S. Embassy consular section on Monday through Thursday from 2:00PM to 4:00PM.